



IMAGINE AUSTIN COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Citizens Advisory Task Force Meeting #17

January 11, 2011

One Texas Center, 3rd Floor

505 Barton Springs Road, Austin, Texas 78704

MINUTES

Task Force members in attendance:

Roger Cauvin
Perla Cavazos
Scooter Cheatham
Kent Collins
Margaret Cooper
Rob D'Amico
Patricia Dabbert
Frances Ferguson
Ceci Gratias
Jack Gullahorn
Ora Houston
John Langmore
Roberto Martinez

Frances McIntyre
Jennifer McPhail
Rebecca Melancon
Charles Miles
Karl-Thomas Musselman
Jonathan Ogren
Lori Renteria
Regina Rogoff
Cookie Ruiz
Evan Taniguchi
Donna Tiemann
Carol Torgrimson
Ira Yates

Members of the public in attendance:

Joyce Basciano
Charles Chambers
Alan Bush
Jeff Jack

Mario Cantu
Steve Aleman
Frank Harren

Members of staff in attendance:

Greg Guernsey (PDR)
Garner Stoll (PDR)
Mark Walters (PDR)
Paul DiGiuseppe (PDR)
Matt Dugan (PDR)

Greg Claxton (PDR)
Jacob Browning (PDR)
Diane Dohm (PDR)
Sheila Balog (HRD)

Task Force Chair Margaret Cooper called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

1. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

- a. Jeff Jack talked about the South Lamar mixed-use corridor -- looked at Zilker Park VMU analysis for what that mixed-use corridor would look like if enacted -- it would take 36 projects at the size of the Cole/The Bridges developments (at the current zoning heights), but only 26 lots are available for VMU.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the August 10, September 14, October 12, November 9 and December 14 meetings were approved.

3. NEW BUSINESS

- a. *Discussion and possible action on creating a process for expressing minority opinions.* Judge Cooper made the motion to approve the process. Cookie Ruiz seconded the motion. Judge Cooper called a vote and the motion passed 26 to 0.
- b. *Discussion and possible action on changing meeting dates for 2011.* General discussion was had on changing meeting dates. No member made a motion to change meeting dates.
- c. *Discussion and possible action on draft Preferred Scenario.* Greg Claxton (PDR) presented changes to the Preferred Scenario since the Task Force's December meeting and provided 5 options for the Task Force to consider: removing a Neighborhood Center from the Southeast Combined Planning Area, adding a Neighborhood Center at Far West Blvd and MoPac, continuing the Mixed Use Corridor along the length of Airport Blvd, removing the Mixed Use Corridor designation from Manor Rd and MLK Blvd, and adding east-west Mixed Use Corridors). Donna Tiemann asked that removing SH-45 also be considered, as well as shifting or moving the Neighborhood Center at Lamar Blvd and Ben White Blvd (to avoid placing it on or near the Edwards Aquifer). Ora Houston asked that transit be shown to the Neighborhood Center along SH-71 past SH-130. Ora Houston and Lori Renteria asked that Neighborhood Centers on existing Station Area Plans be re-drawn to reflect those Plans' boundaries. Jack Gullahorn asked that current and planned roads in the northeast part of the planning area be shown out to their intersection with SH-130, as well as development at those intersections. The Task Force worked in four small groups, discussing the 10 possible changes. After that discussion, the groups generally agreed not to remove the Neighborhood Center from the Southeast Combined Planning Area, to add the Neighborhood Center at Far West Blvd and MoPac, continue the Mixed Use Corridor along the length of Airport Blvd, and to show east-west Mixed Use Corridors. Staff offered to re-examine the location of the Neighborhood Center at Lamar and Ben White, transit service to far SH-71, and re-drawing the boundaries of the Neighborhood Centers over Station Area Plans. No direction was given for the other items, which will be available for consideration at the Task Force's February meetings.
- d. *Discussion and possible action on draft Plan Framework.* Mark Walters (PDR) explained the exercise to review the draft Plan Framework and make sure it captures the public input from the Common Ground Working Paper and the CFS #3 results. Task Force members worked in small groups on the topics of land use and transportation, city facilities and services, society, and culture.
- e. *Discussion and possible action on Working Groups, including membership, process and workshop.* Analysis Committee to work on at their next meeting.
- f. *Announcements and updates.* Patricia Dabbert talked about upcoming meetings on the AISD Facilities Master Plan. Garner Stoll (PDR) talked about a request from

Ora Houston for a discussion on housing and affordability at the next Task Force meeting; he asked for suggestions from the Task Force regarding who they would like to hear from. Ora Houston ask for someone to answer questions about the city's comprehensive housing market study done by BBC. Garner said the study would be distributed to Task Force members. Frances Ferguson said she would help set up the housing discussion and find experts.

4. OLD BUSINESS

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

For more information on the Comprehensive Plan Citizens Advisory Task Force please visit the website (<http://www.imagineaustin.net/taskforce.htm>) or contact Matt Dugan, Planning and Development Review Department, at 974-7665 or matthew.dugan@ci.austin.tx.us.